

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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## PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant: Kim, et al.

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Mail Stop Amendment  
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 20, 2005

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 20, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe a one-month extension of time fee of \$120 is due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3562 for this fee, and for any other fees, including additional extension of time fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

A listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.